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DRAFTED BY ARA/ECA:FERONDON:JC
APPROVED BY ARA/ECA:RWZIMMERMANN
ARA:GLISTER (INFO)
H:EBLACK (INFO)
D/HA:MSPEAR

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TO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SHUM, AR

SUBJECT: JUAN MENDEZ

REF: B.A. 00578

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS

Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

() Release (X) Excise () Deny

Exemption(s): B6

Declassify: () In Part (X) In Full

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Date Declassify on Reason

DECONTROL

1. [REDACTED] TODAY ADVISED ARA/ECA THAT JUAN MENDEZ'
SISTER, SUSANA, TELEPHONED [REDACTED] ON FEBRUARY 10. SHE
STATED THAT GOA IS NOT RELEASING JUAN, AND HIS FAMILY IS
VERY FEARFUL THAT SOMETHING MIGHT HAPPEN TO HIM IN JAIL.

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2. [REDACTED] EXPRESSED FEAR THAT MENDEZ' LIFE MIGHT BE
IN DANGER IN VIEW OF ALLEGED GOA PRACTICE OF KILLING
PRISONERS IN STAGED ESCAPES.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS ON THESE
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DEVELOPMENTS. MENDEZ' SISTER MAY BE REACHED AT HER
APARTMENT 4 MENDEZ' FATHER, JULIO, MAY
BE CONTACTED AT OFFICE AT [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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4. OFFICES OF CONGRESSMEN RAILSBACK AND DRINAN ALSO TELE-
PHONED ARA/ECA TO EXPRESS THEIR CONCERN OVER GOA'S
FAILURE TO RELEASE MENDEZ AFTER ARGENTINE EMBASSY HAD
ADVISED THEM THAT SUBJECT WAS TO BE PERMITTED TO LEAVE
FOR FRANCE.
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